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SUBJECT: W/W - GROUP OF 50 AMCITS IN FINANCIAL DISTRESS

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1. GROUP OF 50 AMCITS FROM ST JOSEPH'S UKRAINIAN CATHOLIC CHURCH, 5000 NORTH CUMBERLAND AVENUE, CHICAGO, ILL 60656 ARE IN FINANCIAL DIFFICULTY AS THEIR TOUR REACHES CONCLUSION.

2. TOUR LEADER PAUL OLEKSIUK IS EMPLOYED BY TYRONE INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL INC., 9400 WEST IRVING PARK RD, SCHILLER PARK, ILL. THIS IS SAME TRAVEL AGENCY AS THAT NAMED IN REFTEL. OLEKSIUK IS STILL TRAVELLING WITH GROUP. HE IS APPARENTLY RUNNING OUT OF FUNDS TO PAY BILLS OF THOSE ON TOUR. OUR EFFORTS TO CONTACT HIM HAVE NOT YET SUCCEEDED.

3. GROUP HAS TICKETS ON BEA CHARTER FLIGHT FROM LONDON TO TORONTO JULY 20. AS ALL HOTELS AND TRANSPORTATION WERE TO BE PAID BY TOUR THEY HAVE ONLY LIMITED RESOURCES. ACCORDING TO TOUR MEMBERS WHO VISITED UNCLASSIFIED

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EMBASSY LATE AFTERNOON JULY 18, PRIEST, WHO LEFT TOUR

FOR PLANE FROM AMSTERDAM, WAS ABLE TO COVER HOTEL BILL FOR TONIGHT.

4. GROUP LEADER HAS ASKED MEMBERS TO CONTRIBUTE TO PURCHASE OF BOAT-TRAIN TICKETS CALAIS-LONDON. EURAIL TICKETS COVER TRIP TO CALAIS.

5. FOR LONDON: GROUP WILL ARRIVE IN LONDON JULY 19 FOR OVERNIGHT STAY AT PENTA HOTEL, CROMWELL ROAD, LONDON SW7 WHERE THEY HAVE RESERVATIONS. THEY UNSURE IF OLEKSIUK WILL BE ABLE TO PAY BILL. BY POOLING RESOURCES GROUP MAY BE ABLE COVER EXPENSES. HOWEVER, THEY INTEND INSIST THAT BILL BE COVERED BY OLEKSIUK FOR TOUR COMPANY. EMBASSY DUTY OFFICER MAY BE CALLED DURING WEEKEND TO SPEAK WITH OLEKSIUK. GROUP IS DETERMINED TO LEAVE LONDON JULY 20 ON BEA 439.

6. FOR TORONTO: WHILE GROUP SHOULD LEAVE LONDON AS PLANNED, IT IS FEARED THEY MAY EXHAUST FUNDS IN TORONTO, TOUR COMPANY HAVE MADE NO ADVANCE ARRANGEMENTS FOR RETURN TO CHICAGO.

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